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SUBJECT: CONVERSION OF AVIONICS EQUIPMENT FOR DC-3 AIRCRAFT

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- 1. EMBOFF SPOKE WITH ALIRIO GUTIERREZ AT DEPARTAMENTO ADMINISTRATIVO DE AERONAUTICA CIVIL (DAAC) IN CONNECTION WITH REFTEL.
- 2. GUTIERREZ FELT THAT HIS INQUIRY WAS MISUNDERSTOOD. HE RESTATED HIS REQUESTS AS FOLLOWS:

 DUE TO URGENT NEED DAAC WOULD LIKE TO CHANGE AVIONICS EQUIPMENT AND CALIBRATION CONSOLES ON ONE DC-3 AIRCRAFT. SINCE TIME IS AN IMPORTANT FACTOR, DAAC WOULD LIKE TO CIRCUMVENT NECESSARY FOR PUBLIC OFFERING BY DEALING DIRECTLY WITH FAA IN OKLAHOMA CITY OR ATLANTA. EVIDENTLY, DAAC HAS HAD SOME WORK PERFORMED AT THESE LOCATIONS BY THE FAA IN THE PAST.

 GUTIERREZ STATED THAT HE SPOKE WITH CHARLES O. CARY, DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL AVIATION AFFAIRS, FAA,
- 3. AFTER SPEAKING WITH GUTIERREZ, EMBOFF RECEIVED PHONE CALL FROM LOCAL REPRESENTATIVE OF U.S. AVIONICS FIRM IN BOGOTA WHO PROVIDED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION: UP UNTIL UNCLASSIFIED

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SEVERAL YEARS AGO THE FAA USED TO GIVE AWAY CALIBRATION EQUIPMENT. LAST YEAR, DAAC WAS INFORMED BY FAA THAT CALIBRATION EQUIPMENT NEEDED REPLACEMENT AND THAT IT WOULD HAVE TO BE PURCHASED FROM A PRIVATE SUPPLIER. THE FAA WOULD STILL PROVIDE CALIBRATION SERVICE FOR EQUIPMENT REGARDLESS OF WHO SUPPLIED IT.

4. EMBOFF SUSPECTS THAT FAA CANNOT ACT AS MIDDLEMAN AS REQUESTED BY GUTIERREZ. PLEASE CONFIRM. DUE TO NECESSITY OF FUNCTIONING EQUIPMENT TO TEST NAVIGATIONAL AID SYSTEM IN COLOMBIA, EMBOFF WOULD APPRECIATE FAA ADVICE ON ALTERNATIVES OPEN TO DAAC IN SECURITING THIS EQUIPMENT.

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